

multimedia system over the Internet comprising:

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[means] a web server for providing web pages of television program listings over the Internet[;], wherein the web server [means for selecting] provides the user with an opportunity to select a television program from the television program listings web pages provided over the Internet[;], allows the user to order at least one e-mail reminder for that television program, and [means for providing] sends the e-mail [reminders] reminder to the multimedia system over the Internet [that] to remind the user when [the] that television program is to be broadcast.

2. (Amended) The system defined in claim 1 wherein the web pages provide [further comprising means for providing] an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order e-mail reminders.

3. (Amended) The system defined in claim 2 wherein [the means for providing the e-mail reminder option further comprises means for presenting] the web server presents an e-mail reminder web page when the user selects the e-mail reminder option.

4. (Amended) The system defined in claim 3 wherein [the means for presenting] the e-mail reminder web page [further comprises means for providing] provides at

b1 least one selectable option [options displayed on the e-mail reminder web page when the user is presented with the e-mail reminder web page].

b2 6. (Amended) The system defined in claim 5 wherein the [how soon option further comprises means for presenting a how soon web page] web server presents a how soon web page when the how soon option is selected.

b3 8. (Amended) The system defined in claim 7 wherein the [how often option further comprises means for presenting a how often web page] web server presents a how often web page when the how often option is selected.

sub E1) 9. (Amended) The system defined in claim 1 wherein the web pages provide [further comprising means for providing] a view current reminders option which the user selects to receive a list of current e-mail reminder orders.

10. (Amended) The system defined in claim 9 wherein the [means for providing the view current reminders option further comprises means for presenting] web server presents a view current reminders web page when the user selects the view current reminders option.

11. (Amended) The system defined in claim 1 [further comprising means for providing] wherein the web pages provide a new reminders option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a program title.

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12. (Amended) The system defined in claim 11 wherein the [means for providing the new reminders option further comprises means for presenting] web server presents a new reminders web page when the user selects the new reminders option.

13. (Amended) The system defined in claim 12 wherein [the means for presenting] the new reminders web page [further comprises means for providing] provides at least one selectable option [options displayed on the new reminders web page when the user is presented with the new reminders web page].

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15. (Amended) The system defined in claim 14 wherein [the how soon option further comprises means for presenting a how soon web page] the web server presents a how soon web page when the how soon option is selected.

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17. (Amended) The system defined in claim 16 wherein [the how often option further comprises means for presenting a how often web page] the web server presents a how often web page when the how often option is selected.

18. (Amended) The system defined in claim 1 [further comprising means for providing] wherein the web server provides a pay-per-view order web page.

19. (Amended) The system defined in claim 18 wherein [the means for providing] the pay-per-view order web page [further comprises means for providing] provides an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message.

20. (Amended) A method for providing e-mail message reminders of scheduled television events to a user at a multimedia system over the Internet using an Internet television program guide system, the method comprising [the steps of]:

providing television program listings over the Internet;

selecting a television program from the television program listings provided over the Internet; and

providing e-mail reminders to the multimedia system over the Internet that remind the user when the television program is to be broadcast.

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21. (Amended) The method defined in claim 20 further comprising [the step of] providing an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order e-mail reminders.

22. (Amended) The method defined in claim 21 wherein the [step of] providing of the e-mail reminder option further comprises [the step of] presenting an e-mail reminder web page when the user selects the e-mail reminder option.

23. (Amended) The method defined in claim 22 wherein the [step of] presenting of the e-mail reminder web page further comprises [the step of] providing selectable options displayed on the e-mail reminder web page when the user is presented with the e-mail reminder web page.

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25. (Amended) The method defined in claim 24 wherein the how soon option further comprises [the step of] presenting a how soon web page.

27. (Amended) The method defined in claim 26 wherein the how often option further comprises [the step of] presenting a how often web page.

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28. (Amended) The method defined in claim 20 further comprising [the step of] providing a view current reminders option which the user selects to receive a list of current e-mail reminder orders.

29. (Amended) The method defined in claim 28 wherein the [step of] providing of the view current reminders option further comprises [the step of] presenting a view current reminders web page when the user selects the view current reminders option.

30. (Amended) The method defined in claim 20 further comprising [the step of] providing a new reminders option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by entering a program title.

31. (Amended) The method defined in claim 30 wherein the [step of] providing of the new reminders option further comprises [the step of] presenting a new reminders web page when the user selects the new reminders option.

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32. (Amended) The method defined in claim 31 wherein the [step of] presenting of the new reminders web page further comprises [the step of] providing selectable options displayed on the new reminders web page when the user is presented with the new reminders web page.

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34. (Amended) The method defined in claim 33 wherein the how soon option further comprises [the step of] presenting a how soon web page.

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36. (Amended) The method defined in claim 35 wherein the how often option further comprises [the step of] presenting a how often web page.

37. (Amended) The method defined in claim 20 further comprising [the step of] providing a pay-per-view order web page.

38. (Amended) The method defined in claim 37 wherein the [step of] providing of the pay-per-view order web page further comprises [the step of] providing an e-mail reminder option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message.

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39. (Amended) The system defined in claim 1 [further comprising means for providing] wherein the web pages provide a user preference profile option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by selecting from various e-mail reminder preferences.

40. (Amended) The system defined in claim 39 wherein [the means for providing the user preference profile option further comprises means for presenting] the web server provides a user preference profile web page when the user selects the user preference profile option.

41. (Amended) The system defined in claim 40 wherein [the means for presenting] the user preference profile web page [further comprises means for providing] displays at least one selectable option [options displayed on the user preference profile web page when the user is presented with the user preference profile web page].

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43. (Amended) The system defined in claim 42 wherein the [genre option further comprises means for presenting] web server presents a genre web page when the user selects the genre option.

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45. (Amended) The system defined in claim 44 wherein the [actor option further comprises means for presenting] web server presents an actor web page when the user selects the actor option.

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47. (Amended) The system defined in claim 46 wherein the [exact title option further comprises means for presenting] web server presents an exact title web page when the user selects the exact title option.

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49. (Amended) The system defined in claim 48 wherein the [partial program title option further comprises means for presenting] web server presents a partial title web page when the user selects the partial title option.

50. (Amended) The method defined in claim 20 further comprising [the step of] providing a user preference profile option which the user selects to order an e-mail reminder message by selecting from various e-mail reminder preferences.

51. (Amended) The method defined in claim 50 wherein the [step of] providing of the user preference profile option further comprises [the step of] presenting a user preference profile web page when the user selects the user preference profile option.

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52. (Amended) The method defined in claim 51 wherein the [step of] presenting of the user preference profile web page further comprises [the step of] providing selectable options displayed on the user preference profile web page when the user is presented with the user preference profile web page.

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54. (Amended) The method defined in claim 53 wherein the genre option further comprises [the step of] presenting a genre web page when the user selects the genre option.

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56. (Amended) The method defined in claim 55 wherein the actor option further comprises [the step of] presenting an actor web page when the user selects the actor option.

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58. (Amended) The method defined in claim 57 wherein the exact title option further comprises [the step of] presenting an exact title web page when the user selects the exact title option.

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60. (Amended) The method defined in claim 59 wherein the partial title option further comprises [means for] presenting a partial title web page when the user selects the partial title option.
